This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

<u>Listing of Claims</u> (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1 1. (Previously Amended) A clip for supporting ornamental 2 items on a pew, comprising: 3 a mounting portion for gripping a portion of a pew support, the mounting portion having a pair of opposite faces including an 4 5 inner face and an outer face, the mounting portion having a pair of 6 side edges and a pair of end edges, the mounting portion 7 comprising: 8 an elongate longitudinal extent having opposite end 9 regions; 10 a pair of transverse extents, each of the transverse extents extending from one of the end regions of the 11 12 longitudinal extent in a generally transverse orientation to the 13 longitudinal extent; 14 a pair of return extents, each of the return extents 15 extending from one of the transverse extents, each of the 16 return extents extending towards each other; and 17 a pair of free end extents, each of the free end extents 18 extending from one of the return extents; and 19 a securing portion forming a hook for securing an ornamental 20 item to the mounting portion, the hook opening toward a side edge 21 of the mounting portion such that the hook portion is orientatable 22 upwardly when the mounting portion grips a vertically extending 23 portion of the pew support; 24 wherein each of the transverse extents, the return extents, and 25 the free end extents are arcuate such that a group of connected transverse, return and free end extents forms a portion of a circle. 26



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2. (Original) The clip of claim 1 wherein the pair of transverse extents extend outwardly from the inner face of the longitudinal extent, each of the transverse extents having opposite end regions, a first one of the end regions of each of the transverse extents being joined to one of the end regions of the longitudinal extent.

- 3. (Cancelled).
- 4. (Cancelled).
- 5. (Cancelled).
- 6. (Previously Amended) A clip for supporting ornamental items on a pew, comprising:
- a mounting portion for gripping a portion of a pew support, the mounting portion having a pair of opposite faces including an inner face and an outer face, the mounting portion having a pair of side edges and a pair of end edges, the mounting portion comprising:
- 8 an elongate longitudinal extent having opposite end 9 regions;
 - a pair of transverse extents, each of the transverse extents extending from one of the end regions of the longitudinal extent in a generally transverse orientation to the longitudinal extent;
 - a pair of return extents, each of the return extents extending from one of the transverse extents, each of the return extents extending towards each other; and
 - a pair of free end extents, each of the free end extents extending from one of the return extents;

wherein each of the free end extents extends inwardly from one of the return extents, each of the free end extents being oriented generally perpendicular to the longitudinal extent.

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- 7. (Original) The clip of claim 1 wherein each of the end edges of the mounting portion is located on one of the free end extents, and a gap is formed between the end edge on the free end extent and the longitudinal extent.
- 8. (Previously Amended) The clip of claim 7 wherein a
 distance of the gap is approximately one-half of a distance of a
 farthest extent of the return extents from the longitudinal extent.
 - 9. (Cancelled).
- 10. (Currently Amended) The clip of claim 1 wherein the
 2 securing portion comprises a securing arm, the securing arm has a
 3 first end mounted on the mounting portion and a second end being
 4 free of connection to the mounting portion, the second end being
 5 biased against the outer face of the mounting portion.
 - 11. (Cancelled).
 - 12. (Cancelled).
 - 13. (Cancelled).
 - 14. (Cancelled).
 - 15. (Cancelled).
 - 16. (Cancelled).

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2 items on a pew, comprising: a mounting portion for gripping a portion of a pew support, 3 the mounting portion having a pair of opposite faces including an 4 inner face and an outer face, the mounting portion having a pair of side edges and a pair of end edges, the mounting portion comprising: 7 an elongate longitudinal extent having opposite end 8 9 regions; a pair of transverse extents, each of the transverse 10 extents extending from one of the end regions of the 11 longitudinal extent in a generally transverse orientation to the 12

> a pair of return extents, each of the return extents being connected to one of the transverse extents, each of the return extents extending towards each other; and

17. (Currently Amended) A clip for supporting ornamental

a securing portion for removably securing an ornamental item on the mounting portion, the securing portion having a first end being mounted on the mounting portion adjacent to a first one of the side edges of the mounting portion and a second end free of connection to the mounting portion and being biased against the outer face of the mounting portion, the free second end of the securing portion extending past a second one of the side edges of the mounting edge.

18. (Previously Amended) The clip of claim 17 wherein the mounting portion includes a pair of free end extents, each of the free end extents extending between one of the transverse extents and one of the free end extents, each of the return extents extending from one of the transverse extents and towards each other.

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19. (Cancelled).

- 20. (Previously Added) The clip of claim 1 wherein the hook comprises a securing arm with a first end mounted on the mounting portion and a second end free of the mounting portion, the second end of the securing arm extending toward one of the side edges of the mounting portion.
 - 21. (Currently Amended) The clip of claim 20 1 wherein the hook comprises a securing arm with a first end mounted on the mounting portion and a second end free of the mounting portion, and wherein the free second end of the securing arm extends past one of the side edges of the mounting portion.
- 1 22. (Currently Amended) The clip of claim 20 1 wherein the
 2 hook comprises a securing arm with a first end mounted on the
 3 mounting portion and a second end free of the mounting portion, and
 4 wherein one of the side edges of the mounting portion defines a
 5 plane, and the free second end of the securing arm extends through
 6 the plane of the side edge.
 - 23. (Cancelled).
 - 24. (Cancelled.

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Please add the following claims:

- 25. (Added) The clip of claim 17 wherein one of the side edges of the mounting portion defines a plane, and the free second end of the securing arm extends through the plane of the side edge.
- 26. (Added) The clip of claim 25 wherein the securing arm abuts against the mounting portion at a junction of the outer face and the second side edge of the mounting portion.
 - 27. (Added) The clip of claim 1 wherein the securing arm is mounted on the mounting portion adjacent to a first one of the side edges and the securing arm extends across the outer face of the mounting portion and abuts against a second one of the side edges of the mounting portion.
 - 28. (Added) The clip of claim 27 wherein the securing arm abuts against the mounting portion at a junction of the outer face and the second side edge of the mounting portion.
 - 29. (Added) The clip of claim 1 wherein the mounting portion has a substantially uniform width, the mounting portion having a substantially uniform thickness, the mounting portion being formed of a resiliently flexible material, the pair of side edges being oriented substantially parallel to each other, the mounting portion having a pair of end edges, the pair of end edges each extending substantially perpendicularly to the side edges; wherein the longitudinal extent is substantially planar; wherein the pair of transverse extents extend outwardly from the inner face of the longitudinal extent, each of the transverse



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extents being arcuate, each of the transverse extents having opposite

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extents being joined to one of the end regions of the longitudinal extent;

wherein each of the return extents extending generally parallel to the longitudinal extent, each of the return extents extending from a second one of the end regions of one of the transverse extents, each of the return extents being arcuate;

wherein each of the free end extents extending inwardly from one of the return extents, each of the free end extents being oriented substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal extent, each of the end edges of the mounting portion being located on one of the free end extents, a gap being formed between the end edge on the free end extent and the longitudinal extent;

wherein a distance of the gap being approximately one-half of a distance of a farthest extent of the return extents from the longitudinal extent; and

wherein the securing portion being located on the outer face of the mounting portion, the securing portion comprising a securing arm for holding a portion of an ornamental item against the mounting portion, the securing arm having a first end mounted on the mounting portion and a second end being free of connection to the mounting portion, the securing arm generally converging toward the outer face at the second end thereof to form a channel therebetween for receiving a portion of an ornamental item, the second end of the securing arm being biased against the mounting

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